

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the first page of the specification of the above-identified application to identify a prior application of the above-identified application, Application No. 10/019,957, filed January 7, 2002, being relied upon under 35 USC §120, and to also identify that No. 10/019,957 is a National Stage application under 35 USC § 371 of International (PCT) Application No. PCT/JP00/04535; and to incorporate by reference, in their entirety, the contents of No. 10/019,957. Noting especially that the Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.63 submitted in the above-identified application is a copy of the Declaration under 37 CFR § 1.63 submitted in No. 10/019,957, it is respectfully submitted that the present amendments do not constitute new matter.

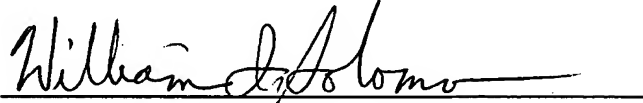
Entry of the present amendments, and, subsequent thereto, examination of the above-identified application in due course, are respectfully requested.

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